

TC 3600 APPEAL WORKSHEET

Application No. 09/818, 084

Date of Conference: 25 July 06

Examiner: Worison

Art Unit: 3261

Appeal Conference Held? Yes ☒ No ☐

If No Conference Held: Reopened ☐ Allowed ☐

Is the brief compliant with 41.37(i-x)?

- ☒ Real Party of Interest
- ☒ Related Appeals & Interferences
- ☒ Status of Claims:
 - _ A statement of the status of all the claims
- ☒ Status of Amendments:
 - _ A statement of status of all amendments filed after final
- ☒ Summary of Claimed Subject Matter:
 - _ A concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each independent claim appealed. Must reference page and line and drawing.
 - _ Every means plus function and step plus function under 112, 6th must be identified and the structure in the specification corresponding to it must be set forth by page, line and drawing reference character for each independent claim and every dependent claim argued separately.

- ☒ Grounds of Rejection
 - _ A separate heading for each ground of rejection
 - _ There should be a subheading for each claim argued separately, unless it is clear a claim is being argued separately
- ☒ Arguments
- ☒ Appendices (must be present even if blank):
 - _ Claims
 - _ Evidence
 - _ Related proceedings

CONFEREES:

Host SPE (or substitute)
Appeal Conference Specialist
Other (Primary, SPE, TQAS, etc.)

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CHECKLIST FOR PROPER EXAMINER'S ANSWER INPUT:

- ☒ Were all issues raised in the brief considered during the conference?
- ☒ Can an amendment be suggested that would obviously put the case in condition for allowance?
- ☒ Are all rejections proper and well founded?
- ☒ Every claim limitation met and/or addressed?
- ☒ Proper use of "motivation to combine"?
- ☒ No suggestion of improper hindsight?

CHECKLIST TO PREVENT REMANDS:

- ☒ Are all issues in the Brief properly appealable (not petitionable)?
- ☒ Have all foreign references been translated?
- ☒ Have all IDSs been properly treated?
- ☒ Have all after final amendments been properly indicated as entered or not entered?
- ☒ Has the answer been initialed by all participants?
- ☒ Have all the NPL and foreign references been scanned?
- ☒ If new grounds of rejection, has it been approved by the Group Director? Must say "New Grounds Of rejection Approved" on first page of answer, be signed and dated.
- ☒ Are all the papers in the File?
- ☒ Has all timely filed evidence been considered?
- ☒ Remember to consider all reply briefs when filed.
 - _ all supplemental answers must be approved by the Group Director

RESULTS OF CONFERENCE:

Disposition of Application:

- ☐ Non compliant Brief, returned to applicant
- ☒ Sent to Board of Appeals
- ☐ Prosecution - reopened

- ☐ Allowed - with amendment
- ☐ Allowed - without amendment

NOTES: